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COMMENT OF THE DAY

CONVULSIVE

THE convulsive boom in the New York stock market will be received with mixed feelings in Hongkong. A cheer of welcome may be expected from many and these will include not only investors in American stocks who have lost heavily and who have been watching the recent recession with some anxiety, but the business community generally. Many must have wondered whether Wall Street's recent behaviour was a pointer to a much more serious and widespread slump in the American economy.

But there will be many others who will react with justifiable caution. It is a little early as yet to assess the move and while some corrective was expected an explosion of yesterday's magnitude may be admired as a spectacle but will not generate the solid support that a more gradual recovery would have provoked. It may be argued that American stocks should as a result of recent declines now appear more attractive to investors and it would be tempting to think that today's sensational reverse augurs an era of spirited demand.

HK HOPES

THE follow-through will indeed be eagerly awaited and even as we go to press with today's news the business community will be more interested in tomorrow's. Perhaps it would not surprise many if the bears came back in force. One centre in Hongkong which will particularly welcome any sign of a change in New York and will be hoping for a sustained follow-through will be the local Stock Exchange which has been in a depressed state for a long time.

New York market movements are an important factor locally and the recent declines in American stocks were regarded as one of the causes of the recession in Hongkong prices. But the market's initial reaction will probably be cautious and it will be surprising if there is any immediate significant increase in turnover. Meanwhile it is hardly necessary to add that the Colony hopes that the recovery is a sign of better things to come but it would be wrong to suggest that there is any real ground for optimism at present.

BIG WALL STREET BOOM

Brokers Swamped With Orders GAINS OF 10 DOLLARS

New York, Oct. 23. The New York stock market today experienced its biggest boom for 28 years. Buying orders swamped Wall Street from all sections of the country and final prices showed gains of from one to 10 dollars a share for leading issues.

This was the largest one-day advance since November 13, 1929, when the average gain was 9.1 dollars. Many millions of dollars were poured into the values of shares today in the best one-day rally for years.

The broad range of the market showed advances ranging mostly three points or more with some shares with wider gains. Brokers and financial experts said that technical considerations were behind the demands following the market's recent heavy decline and also President Eisenhower's announcement that he plans to boost American confidence in the field of domestic economy by a series of speeches to the American people.

The ticker ran behind the rate of transactions most of the morning. The volume of business for the day was 4,000,000 shares.

Mutual Funds

Brokerage houses reported that the stock market benefited from mutual funds and many large private investors. The Toronto stock market staged its greatest single-session advance since the days of the Korean War as prices in all sections bounced ahead in active mid-afternoon trading.

The Industrial Index soared nearly 13 points in the first four hours while Western Oils were 7 1/2 points higher on index. Base metals gained 3 1/2 points and golds 1 1/2 points on index. Exchange officials said they could not recall such a climb in the Korean War days. "But it might have happened."

A search through the daily records for the last five years failed to uncover a rise to match today's upswing.

The strongest influence on the Toronto market was the action of Wall Street, which forged ahead in extremely heavy trading.

Trading there was slightly slower than yesterday but well ahead of the average pace for recent session volume at 2 p.m. was 2,540,000 shares compared with 2,704,000 at the same time yesterday.—Reuter.

New York Times Page 9 for a detailed report

US Satellite Carrier Launched

Cape Canaveral, Fla., Oct. 23.

A Navy Vanguard missile, the rocket designed to carry the United States into the satellite race, soared skyward today on a successful test flight.

The slender missile, 72-feet long and shaped like a huge rifle cartridge, streaked straight up through drizzling skies at a very high speed. Trailing orange and white flame, it remained visible only a few seconds before it vanished in a heavy cloudbank.

The Defence Department in Washington reported that the rocket reached an altitude of 109 miles and a peak velocity of 4,250 miles per hour. After 140 seconds of flight, the vehicle exhausted its fuel and fell into the Atlantic Ocean 328 miles off the coast of Florida. "It was rated an extremely successful test," a spokesman said.

HIGH SPEED

The rocket went considerably higher and reached a greater speed than was expected. The spokesman explained this by saying it continued to "coast" after its fuel was burned.

Witnesses on nearby beaches said the Vanguard made one of the roughest landings ever observed here, comparable to the roar of the intermediate range Jupiter and Thor missiles. An Army Jupiter was test-fired successfully last night.

Judging from the fading roar, observers believed the Vanguard made an arc over the Atlantic tracking range toward the Bahamas before its nose died away.

The Los Angeles Examiner said today that the United States Air Force has fired a rocket nearly 4,000 miles above the earth.

It said the rocket was fired from a balloon 100,000 feet above Eniwetok Atoll, in the Pacific.

The newspaper's science editor wrote that he had learned of the successful firing from scientists who had returned to this country with data collected by the rocket.—United Press & Reuter.

STOP PRESS

DIOR DEAD

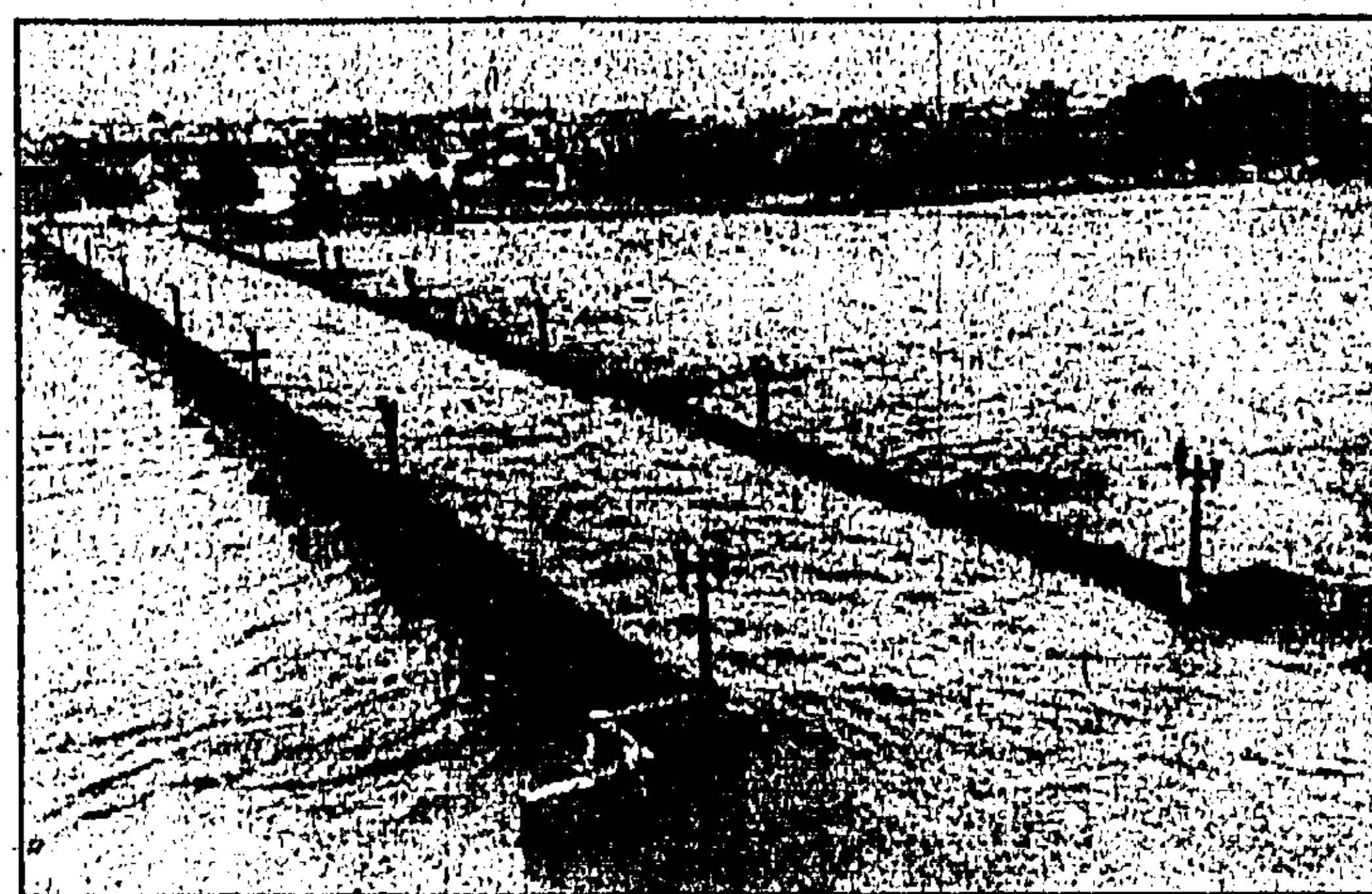
Rome, Oct. 23. The famous French fashion designer Christian Dior died today at the central Italian Health resort near Pisa.—United Press.

NUCLEAR WEAPON STUDY IN MALAYA JUNGLE

London, Oct. 23. THE War Office said tonight that a scientific officer in Malaya was making theoretical studies of the behaviour of tactical nuclear weapons in the jungle.

These are purely paper studies and do not denote any intention on the part of the United Kingdom Government to introduce nuclear weapons into Malaya, a statement said.

VALENCIA BRIDGE UNDER WATER



Many people lost their lives in the Valencia floods earlier in the month. Keystone photo shows: A view of the El Campanar bridge inundated by the waters of the river Turia during the floods in Valencia. Damage to the province ran into millions of dollars.

POLICE FIND TRACKS OF LEOPARD

It has now become more than "a mere suspicion" that the animal Mr William Smyly saw on Tuesday night while returning home to his Tao-Fung Shan residence was a leopard.

Pakistani members of the Police who are experienced trackers and inspected the scene last night are more than convinced that the spoor they found was made by a leopard.

On examination of the imprints left on the hillside and a muddy track, the Police were

CAT CLAWED

A report by a European resident in the New Territories that her cat was clawed by a "large animal" gives further support to the story in the China Mail yesterday that a leopard is roaming in Shatin.

A lady living in Ta-ao Road telephoned the China Mail to describe the attack on her Siamese cat.

"We found her clawed in the thigh about two months ago and although she survived, the wound is not quite healed yet. The marks look as if they were made by a large animal. There are claw scratches on the side leading to a round wound about the size of a cigarette tin cover," she said.

able to conclude that the animal was more than four feet long but less than two yards.

After several unsuccessful attempts to track down the animal on Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning, the Police went out again later to the scene.

In Headlights

Then went to the spot where the animal was caught in the headlights of Mr Smyly's car.

The Police fanned out and inspected the surrounding locality. Both Mr Smyly and Mr O'Brien said they found more than 10 spoor.

It was learned this morning that Mr O'Brien had imprints made and sent them to Mr J. D. Roper, Government Post Control Officer, for examination.

Mr O'Brien told the China Mail: "I can't say whether it is a leopard or not. I am not an expert, you know."

However, according to Mr Smyly, the Pakistani members of the Police who went as trackers, were "pretty sure" at the time that the spoor belonged to a leopard.

No Complaints

The Police party returned to the station soon after the discovery and examination of the spoor but it was learned from the Shatin Police Station that more squads were sent out in an attempt to track down the animal last night. The "hunting party" did not return after 10 p.m.

The Police interviewed more villagers and farmers in Shatin throughout yesterday but so far no one had complained of losing any domestic animals.

The studies being undertaken by this officer cover a wide variety of problems including the theoretical examination of the behaviour of tactical nuclear weapons in jungle conditions.—The War Office said.—Reuter.

Harding Inspects Greek Quarter

Nicosia, Oct. 23. Field Marshal Sir John Harding, who retires as Governor of Cyprus later this year, went sight-seeing in Nicosia's Greek quarter today escorted by three armoured cars and watched by police reinforcements.

It was only the second time during his two years as Governor that he had ventured into the Greek quarter of the old walled city.

Police sealed Ledra Street—renowned as Nicosia's "Murder Mile"—before Eoka terrorists declared a truce last March, ahead of the Governor's arrival. In addition to Cyprus-Turkish constables posted at 50-yard intervals, riot jeeps stood by and patrols moved through the bustling side streets.

His Secretary said today: "He wanted to see it before leaving."

Sir John leaves Cyprus early in November and his successor, Sir Hugh Foot, former Governor of Jamaica, will take over in December.—Reuter.

ATOMIC DEPTH CHARGE IN US FLEET

Washington, Oct. 23. The United States Secretary of Defence, Mr Neil McElroy, announced today that the Navy has perfected atomic depth charges and that some of its Atlantic fleet has already been equipped with the new weapon.

Railwaymen Want Higher Wages

London, Oct. 23. Leaders of 41 trade unions representing 120,000 men in railway workshops decided here today to seek a substantial wage increase for their followers.

The unions, comprising the National Union of Railwaymen and the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, will also seek a reduction in weekly working hours from 44 to 40.

The claim is to be submitted to the British Transport Commission.

LODGED CLAIM

The National Union of Railwaymen has already lodged a claim for a pay increase for its members employed outside the workshops.

This claim will be discussed at a meeting here tomorrow. Another union, the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, will be putting before the Commission tomorrow a claim for a 10 per cent wage rise for train crews.—Reuter.

At that time the Navy and the Defence Department declined all comment on what had been tested and until now had refused all requests for information about progress in the development of such a weapon.

No Comment

Conventional depth charges are launched either from surface vessels such as destroyers, or from aircraft.

Both Ministers in referring to Betty today, mentioned only the airborne version of the weapon. But it has been reported the Navy is working on a nuclear depth charge designed for launching from ships. This version has been referred to unofficially as "Lulu"—Reuter.

Mr McElroy said the new anti-submarine devices are launched from airplanes. He called the development "one important answer to the Russian submarine threat", and said the nuclear depth charge is a defence item that "anyone would be proud to have in our arsenal."

Mr McElroy was speaking to reporters on his return from New London, Connecticut, where he went to sea in the atomic-powered submarine "Seawolf."

The Secretary of the Navy, Mr Thomas Gates, who accompanied Mr McElroy on his first submarine trip, said the atomic depth charge was called "Betty."

It had been tested in the Pacific nearly two years ago.

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Hookah-Smoking Camel Witness

Lahore, Oct. 23. A WEST Pakistan man appealed to the High Court today to call a camel as a witness as the only way of proving his innocence.

He had taught his camel to smoke, he said, asking the Court to offer the camel a hookah—a water-cooled pipe.

If the camel did not puff at the pipe he would willingly serve a lower Court sentence of five years' gaol for stealing the case, he said.

The Court is considering his appeal.—Reuter.

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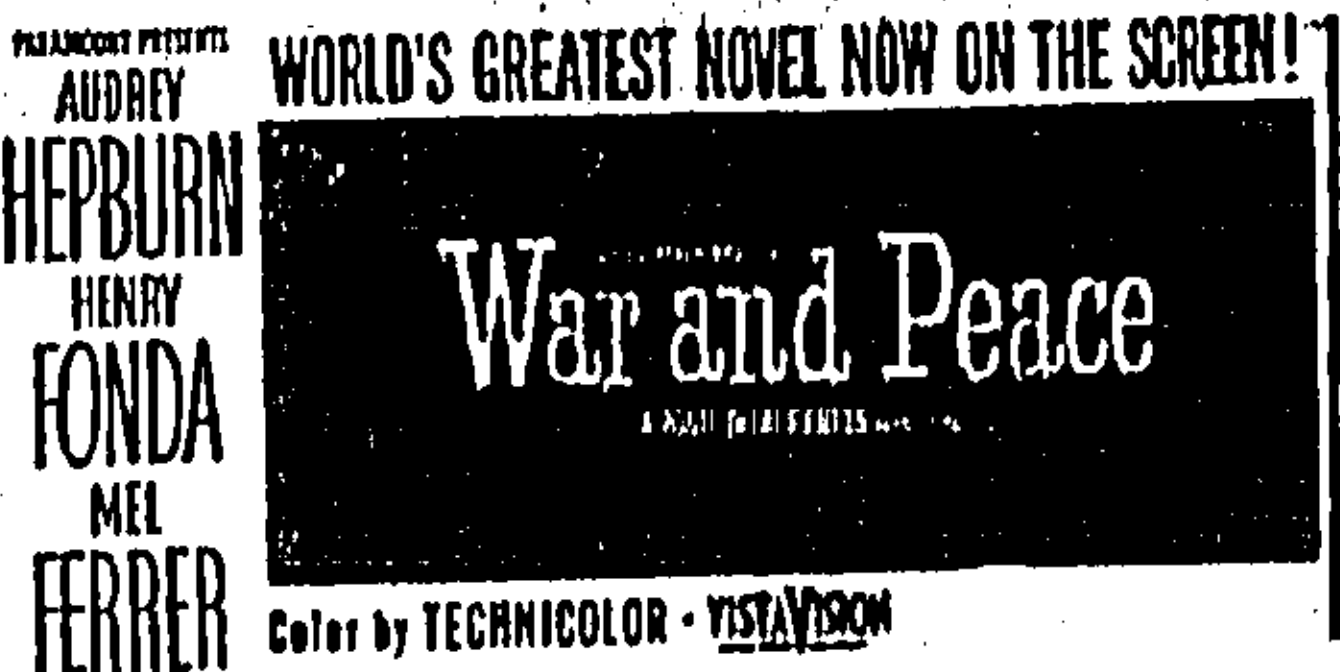
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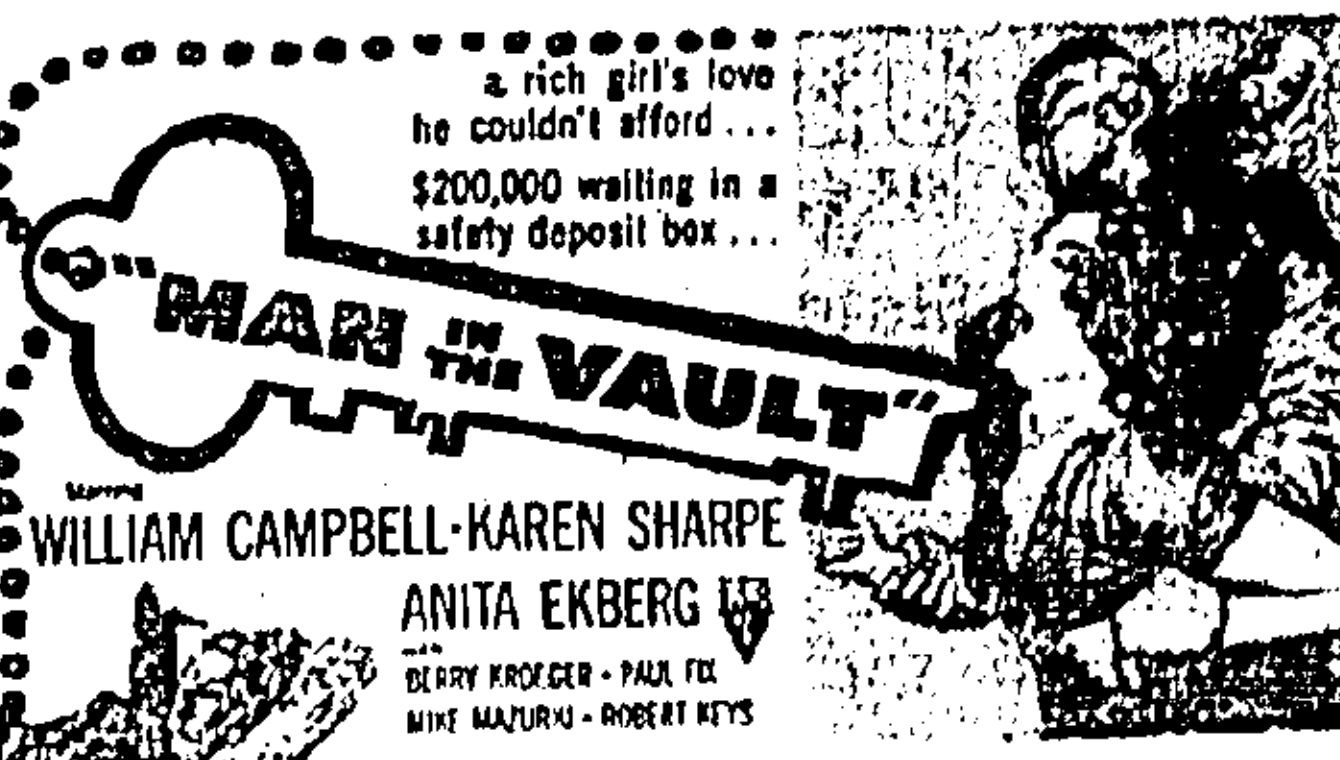
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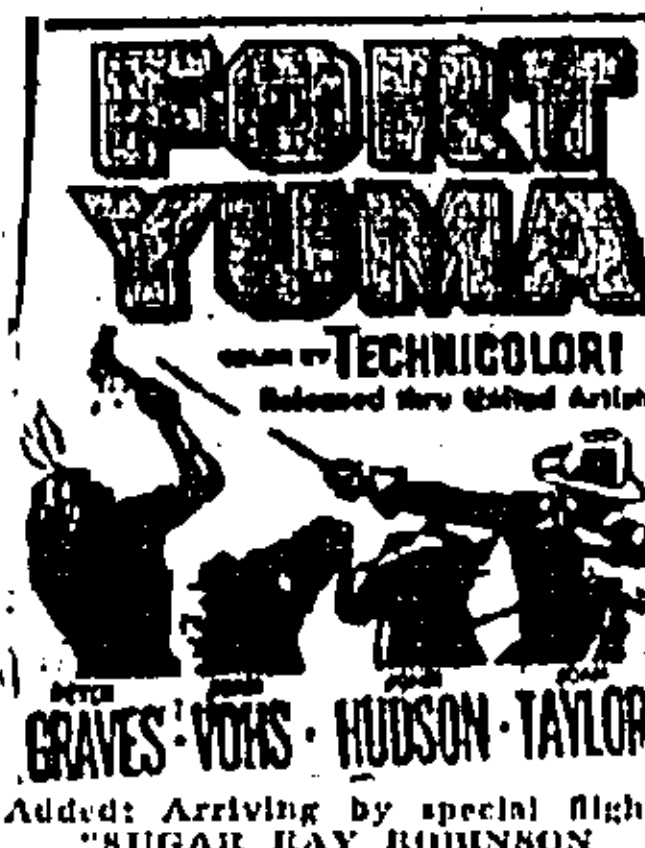
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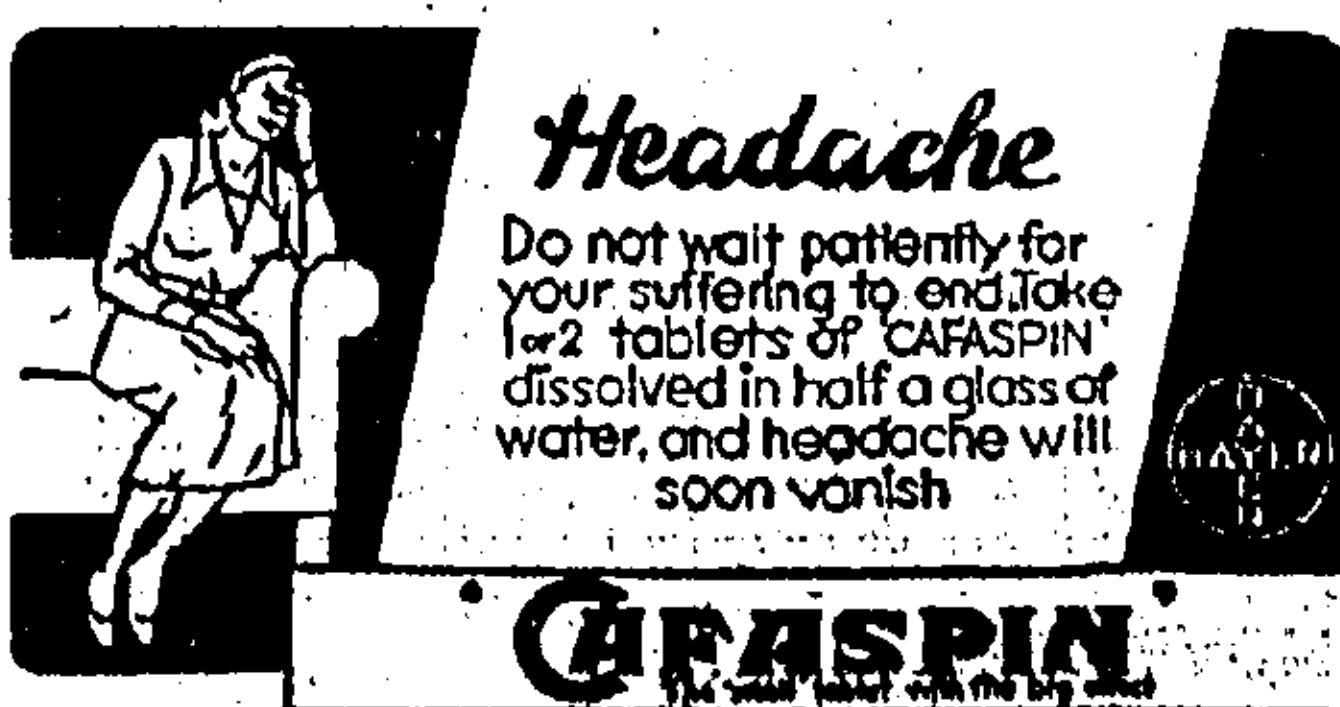
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MAC MEETS IKE FOR FIRST OF THREE-DAY CONFERENCES

Washington, Oct. 23. Mr. Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, arrived at the White House five minutes ahead of schedule to begin his three-day conferences with President Eisenhower.

In the first meeting, it was learned, Mr. Macmillan gave President Eisenhower his ideas on how to try to stop Communism in the Middle East.

Reliable sources said there was no intention at present of revealing what these ideas are, as both Mr. Macmillan and President Eisenhower want, for the time being, to keep any strategy secret for dealing with the Soviet peril in the Middle East.

No Concession

They said that Mr. Macmillan's ideas on stopping Communism in that area do

Ideas On Communist Danger In The Middle East

not involve any concession whatsoever to Soviet Russia.

They also said that Mr. Macmillan and Mr. Eisenhower agreed that every effort must be made to coordinate and strengthen the policies of the free world in dealing with Soviet Russia.

President's Study

Mr. James Hagerty, the President's press secretary, said that Mr. Eisenhower, the Prime Minister, and the two Foreign Secretaries opened their discussions in the President's study on the third floor of the White House.

MASS-PRODUCTION OF DIAMONDS

Detroit Plant Churns Out Artificial Gems

Detroit, Oct. 23. The General Electric Company claimed today it had produced more than 100,000 carats of man-made diamonds at its pilot plant in Detroit and is about to start mass production. A company spokesman said X-ray inspection, chemical examination and hardness tests "show our man-produced diamonds to be identical with natural ones."

G.E.C. expects to be able to turn out 3,500,000 carats a year by the end of 1958—half the total now imported from Belgium, Congo and South Africa.

"If we had to expand our pilot plant today to take care of the entire country's needs, it could be done," the spokesman said.

G.E.C. diamonds are now selling at 4.25 dollars (about 31 shillings) a carat.

TECHNIQUES

That is 40 per cent more than imported diamonds, but the company predicts that with more efficient techniques and greater output the price will eventually be brought down to competitive levels.

Diamonds are indispensable in many industrial operations and much of the machining on aircraft, guns, shells, tanks and vehicles is done with special tools that can only be sharpened with diamond grinding wheels.

G.E.C. diamonds have all the variations of color, clarity and crystallinity found in natural diamonds but they have none of the beauty of diamonds used for jewellery. — China Mail Special.

"Syria Must Accept Mediation"

Washington, Oct. 23. The Turkish Ambassador, Mr. Sait Hayri Urguplu, said after a conference at the State Department today that "Syria must accept mediation" by King Saud of Saudi Arabia in the Syrian-Turkish dispute.

"It is in their (the Syrians) interest," the Ambassador told reporters after an hour's conference with Mr. William Rountree, the assistant Secretary of State for the Middle East.

The Ambassador said that Turkey respected King Saud and the Syrians respected King Saud. "It would be good to see King Saud succeed in his mediation efforts," he added. The Ambassador described mediation by King Saud as "much better" than having the Syrian-Turkish dispute discussed by the more than 80 members of the United Nations. "We prefer to settle this dispute through direct mediation," he observed. — Reuters.

INDONESIAN WAR CLAIMS FROM JAPAN

Tokyo, Oct. 23. Japanese and Indonesian officials tonight continued their administrative talks on the settlement of Indonesia's reparations claims, within the framework agreed to between former Indonesian Vice-President Dr. Mohammad Hatta and Japanese Prime Minister Mr. Nobusuke Kishi.

Mr. Osamu Itagaki, who is leading the Japanese delegation, said reporters tonight there was still a wide gap between the two nations' positions. Mr. Itagaki said his talks with Dr. Sudjono of the Indonesian Foreign Ministry's Asian and Pacific Affairs Bureau had, however, been held in a cordial atmosphere.

The sources said, in addition, Japan had proposed to pay an additional four hundred million United States dollars in technical co-operation and a further "flexible" two hundred million United States dollars which could be interpreted as pure reparations. — Reuters.

Mr. Itagaki said it had been agreed to put both nations' viewpoints into writing so a detailed study can be made when another meeting is held on October 25. Usually reliable Japanese Foreign Ministry sources said Japan was still holding to its formula of paying Indonesia two hundred million United States dollars in pure reparations.

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POLICE END HOLLYWOOD VICE RING

Hollywood, Oct. 23. A raid by a Hollywood vice-squad has put an end to the activities of a ring producing pornographic films in color, it was learned today. A 29-year-old model was arrested along with seven "producers, operators, photographers and directors." The group had been secretly indicted by a Grand Jury on October 15. The ring was said to have done a business running into millions of dollars by selling its

films throughout the world, notably in the Middle and Far East and in European capitals. In Hollywood itself, the films were rented for from \$25 to \$250.

The police also seized a red book containing the names of 275 Hollywood personalities who were clients of the ring. Police revealed that the Grand Jury had seen a number of films and declared that some witnesses had been threatened with death if they testified. — France-Press.



White House at which Mr. Eisenhower will preside. This meeting should last until about noon.

Then the Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, will attend a lunch at the British Embassy which will be attended by most of the British delegation. — United Press and Reuter.

Japanese Stabbed On Ship In Liverpool

Liverpool, Oct. 23. Detectives tonight spent several hours interviewing the crew of a Japanese freighter after a member of the crew had been found bleeding from stab wounds in the neck and stomach.

The injured man, a 28-year-old Japanese named Hiroshi Uware, an oiler aboard the ship, was tonight reported dangerously ill in a Liverpool hospital.

The ship, the Kinko Maru (6,918 tons), arrived at the Mersey Bar from Japan in the early hours of today.

At the same time, the Liverpool fireboat William Greaves engaged in port health authority duties involving visits to incoming vessels, drew alongside.

Medical officers climbed aboard and discovered Uware suffering from his wounds.

MESSAGE

A radio message was flashed ashore calling for an ambulance to stand by at the landing stage.

The injured man was lowered over the side of the vessel to the fireboat, which then made a six-mile dash to the landing stage.

A waiting ambulance took the seaman to hospital.

The police were informed, and this afternoon detectives with an interpreter went out in a boat to the Kinko Maru which was anchored in the river.

It was later learned that Uware had signed on the ship in Osaka. His home address was not immediately available. — Reuter.

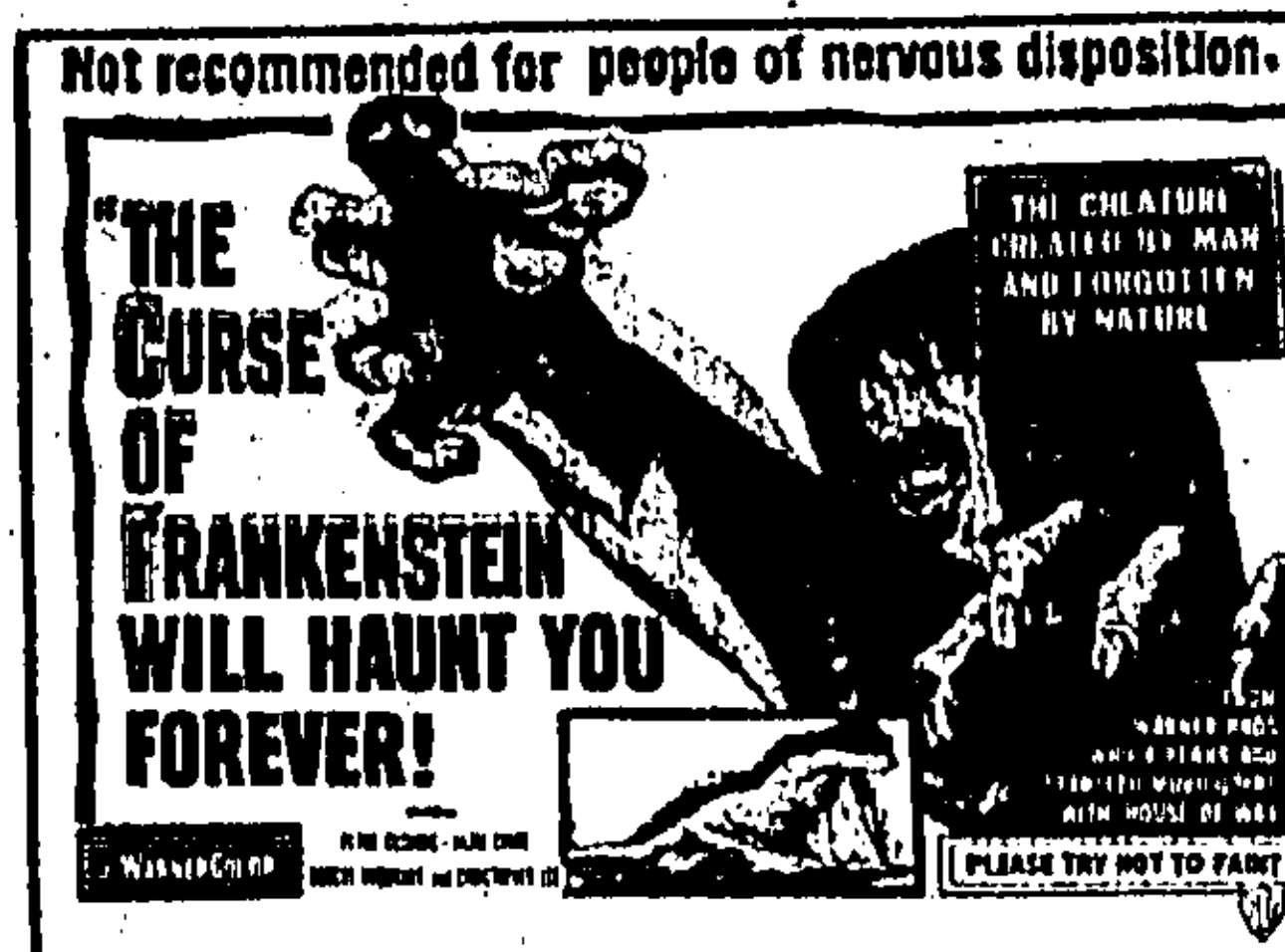
Major-General For Far East

London, Oct. 23. The War Office announced that the Queen has approved the appointment, with the temporary rank of Major-General, of Brigadier J. C. Dalrymple, Chief-of-staff, Headquarters, East African Command, to be Major-General in charge of Administration General Headquarters, Far East Land Forces, (December, 1957).

Brigadier Dalrymple is 50. He was appointed Chief-of-staff, G.H.Q. East African Command in September, 1956. — France-Press.

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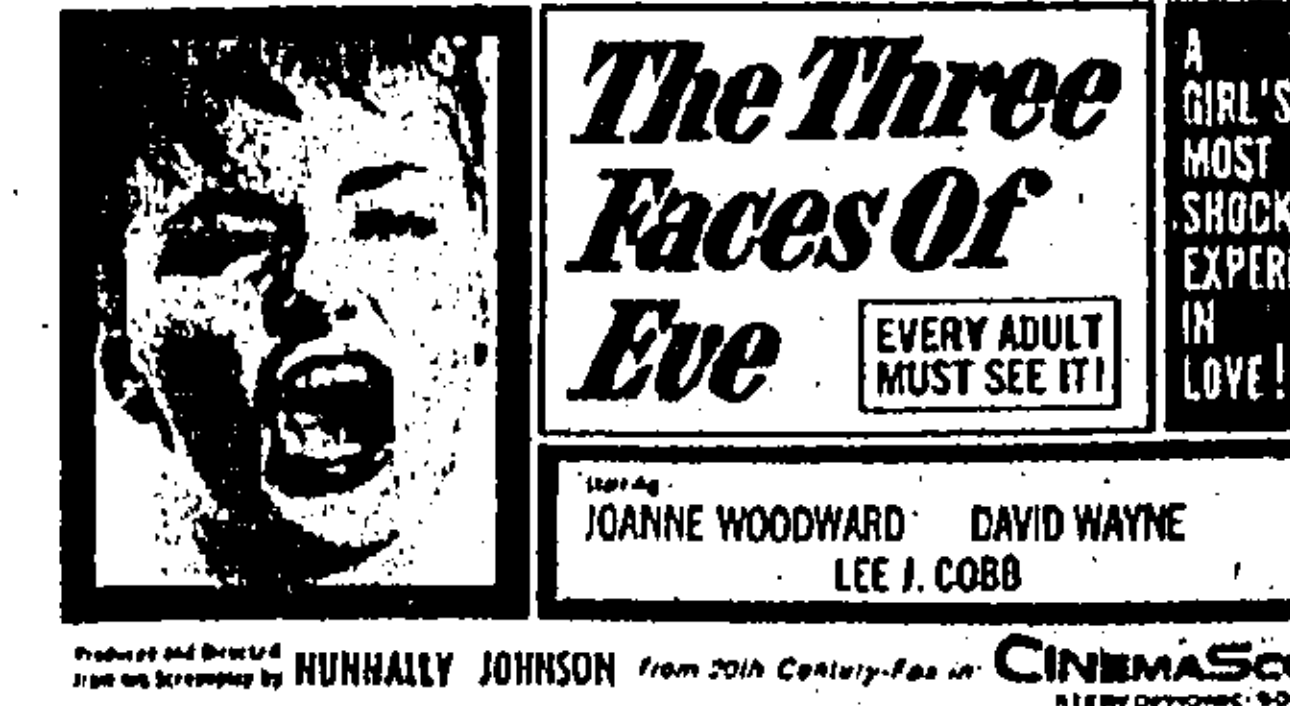
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NATO'S GROUND SHIELD—FRAGILE

But Balanced By Air Power Says Valluy

Paris, Oct. 23.

French General Jean Valluy, Commander-in-Chief of Nato Central European Forces, said here today that the Allied ground shield against any Soviet aggression in Central Europe was "fragile" compared with the opposing forces. But, he told a luncheon of correspondents accredited to Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe, this disadvantage was counter-balanced by the air striking forces at the Allies' disposal.

Panoply Of A-Weapons

He said that the air forces under his command were not strong enough alone, but behind them stood the full power of the United States Strategic Air Command and the British Bomber Command with the full panoply of atomic weapons.

If aggression came these gave the Allies the capacity for "immediate brutal and deep-ranging retaliation." General Valluy, who was accompanied by General Hans Speidel, German Commander of Central European Land Forces, said: "We do not believe there is any immediate danger but the menace is always there."

Artillery Strength

General Valluy spoke of the build-up of Soviet forces facing Central European Command across the "Iron Curtain" and said the Communist striking force was now composed entirely of mechanised and armoured divisions with growing artillery strength.

The conventional infantry division of the last war had disappeared and the Communist forces were highly trained and, since 1953, had carried out exercises for nuclear warfare.

General Valluy said the bulk of the Soviet striking force was based in Eastern Germany, with its air arm in East Germany and Poland and airborne divisions further back ready for swift intervention. In the Baltic the Russians had hundreds of submarines and jet aircraft.—Reuter.

THE FURY OF SPEED



ODDS IN FAVOUR OF MOLLET

Offers To Quit Inside Four Months

Hopes To Reform Constitution

Paris, Oct. 23.

Socialist Guy Mollet tried today to improve his chances of becoming premier again by offering to quit inside four months if he got the job.



M. GUY MOLLET
Going to the office.

Pre-Election Violence In Turkey

Istanbul, Oct. 23. Police dispersed anti-Government demonstrators with tear gas and truncheons in two cities tonight as Turkey's general election campaign wound up on a violent note.

The country is going to the polls on Sunday in a vote which is expected to put the Democratic Party of Prime Minister Adnan Menderes back into power, but with a reduced majority.

BROKE UP

In Ankara tonight police broke up demonstrators shouting "we want freedom" after an election rally addressed by Mr. Ismet Inönü, leader of the opposition Popular Republican Party.

Later the city was reported all quiet as mounted police patrolled the streets.

In Istanbul about 100 Republicans drove in lorries to the headquarters of the ruling Democratic party shouting protests against the Government.

Police dispersed them and made "a few" arrests.—Reuter.

Work On Sub Continues

London, Oct. 23. The construction of the Royal Navy's nuclear-powered submarine Dreadnought "is proceeding as planned," the Admiralty stated today.

A spokesman denied a report that the Government was contemplating halting all design and research work on the submarine.

"There is no prospective decision to interfere with present work on Dreadnought-on economy grounds," he added.

REPORTERS BOYCOTT AGA KHAN

Kampala, Oct. 23. Thousands of Ismailis cheered the Aga Khan on his arrival at Entebbe Airport today from Nairobi for a 12-day tour of Uganda.

The Aga Khan, who was accompanied by his mother, Princess Joan, Aly Khan, was met at the airport by the Governor, Sir Frederick Crawford, and leading officials.

His father, Aly Khan, flew to London from Nairobi today. Ismailis here said.

INSTALLATION

The formal third installation of the new Aga Khan is due to take place in Kampala on Friday after which he will begin his tour of Western and Eastern Uganda.

There were no African reporters present at Entebbe Airport and it was reported in the local newspaper, Obusoga, that African journalists had decided to boycott the visit "because Ugandans Asian residents have recently failed to co-operate with Africans on important issues."—Reuter.

NEW ELECTIONS?

Guatemala City, Oct. 23. The Guatemalan Army tonight decided to ask the Government to declare last Sunday's presidential elections invalid and call for new elections at the first opportunity.—China Mail Special.

PATHETIC MESSAGE TIED TO BIRD

Rome, Oct. 23. An appeal for help, which it is believed, might have come from a group of Italian prisoners working in mines in northern Asia, has been found tied to a migrating bird picked up in Sicily.

A hunter found the exhausted bird near Messina with a note pinned to its back. The note, which was written in Italian, said: "We cannot give our names, otherwise..."

CHINESE MISSION IN LONDON

'Look See And Learn'

London, Oct. 23.

Dr Chi Chao-ting, leader of a Communist Chinese economic and scientific delegation to Britain, told British industrialists today "we have come to learn from you."

He was speaking at a luncheon given the delegation of 20 by the Federation of British Industries and the Sino-British Trade Committee. The lunch was attended by British Cabinet Minister, Lord Mills, Minister of Power.

Dr Chi said: "We are interested in getting a first-hand view of what you have achieved in the fields of science and technology."

INTERRUPTIONS

His mission was looking forward to meetings and discussions with technical experts to fill the gaps in their knowledge arising from "years of interruption" in contacts between the two countries.

The mission, which flew here last night, began its first day's work by making high level contacts in Government and business circles.

Dr Chi described his day-long contacts as a "very good start."

Welcoming the delegation, Sir Hugh Beaver, President of the Federation of British Industries, said the importance of the visit was shown by the fact that Lord Mills was present at the luncheon.

DO UTMOST

He said British industry would do its utmost to show the mission what this country had achieved.

Sir Hugh Beaver hoped that this would ultimately lead to a growth in two-way trade between Britain and China.

Highlight of the mission's "study tour" of British scientific institutions will be a visit to the nuclear power station at Calder Hall in Cumberland, northwest England.—Reuter.

CITY PARALYSED

Montevideo, Oct. 23.

City transport, docks, meat-packing plants and many other industries were paralysed today by a 24-hour strike involving about 100,000 workers here.—Reuter.

ALLEGED RED SPY'S FAMILY LIVED ON CAPITALISTIC SCALE

New York, Oct. 23.

Evidence introduced at the spy trial of Soviet NKVD agent Rudolf Ivanovich Abel today indicated that the family he left behind in Moscow lived on a capitalistic scale while he allegedly stole American secrets for the Communists.

Both sides rested their cases this afternoon, the defence without calling a single witness, including the defendant himself.

Shortly before the prosecution rested its case against Abel, who faces possible execution if convicted, both the defence and prosecution entered into the court record some of the letters the agent received from home during his 10 long years of undercover activities.

A two-room flat for two in Moscow is considered a luxury, for in many cases a whole family live in a single room.—United Press.

LONELINESS

They were letters that expressed loneliness for Abel and the usual, vitriolic complaints to a husband who is much away from home. His daughter wrote in carefully printed English of her engagement and imminent marriage.

There were little things, such as servant trouble, a new television set and a summer cottage, to report to Abel. A letter signed "Dorothy" and written in English began "Dear Dad." It was dated Feb. 20, 1956, about three months after he had returned to New York from a Moscow vacation.

She noted how long it had been since Abel had been home and told him she was going to Paris.

The message expressed the hope that someone would be lucky enough to shoot down the bird "an announcement to the world the barbarians committed by the Reds (followed by a cross)."

The authorities confiscated the message but not until it had been photographed by a friend of the hunter.—United Press.

married an engineer. The letter described the personality and interests of her fiancée and she and her husband would live in a new two-room flat, "which isn't quite what we were hoping for, but it will be a first by ourselves and much nicer than we have now."

A two-room flat for two in Moscow is considered a luxury, for in many cases a whole family live in a single room.—United Press.

BRIEFCASE LOST?

NONSENSE

Paris, Oct. 23.

US Embassy officials said today that reports that Mr. Loy Henderson, President Eisenhower's special envoy to the Middle East, had lost his briefcase in Turkey were "nonsense."

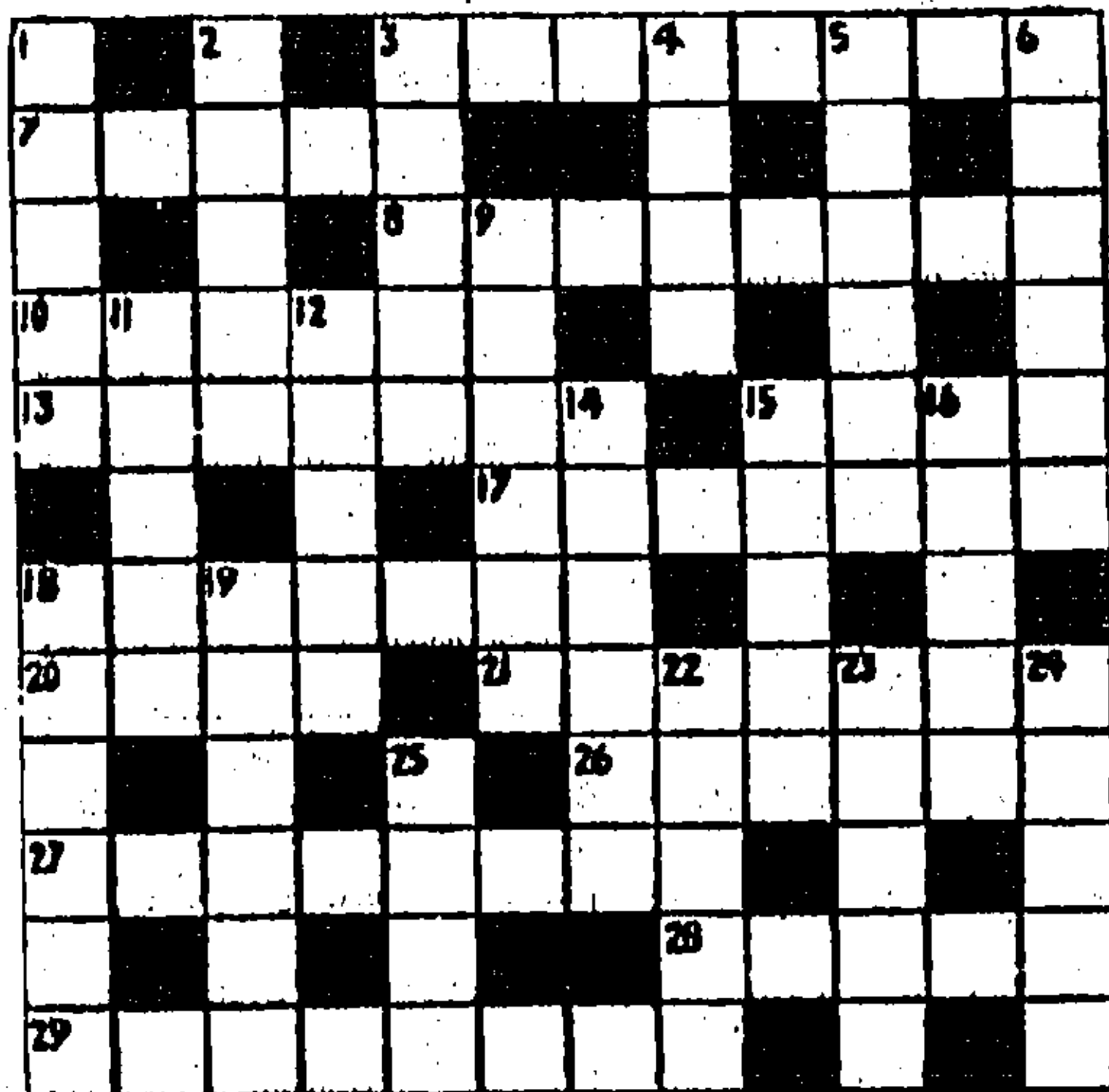
Rumours that Mr. Henderson—Undersecretary of State—lost the briefcase, and that its contents may be the basis of Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev's claims of "unquestionable proof" of Turkish-American plans against Syria, have been making the rounds of cocktail parties in the French capital, for the past week or more.

FOUR PERSONS

"He didn't even leave Orly Airport. He stayed in the VIP lounge and spoke to exactly four persons: US Ambassador Arthur Houghton, US Minister Charles Yoe, Lord Rivers and a US newspaperman."

"None of them reported that he had lost his briefcase, or that he was bewildered by the whole episode, that he hadn't found it, or that he was..."

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 7 Throw up-side-down (8).
- 8 Warm up before the final (5).
- 9 Said it again (8).
- 10 He's got a goal (6).
- 11 Proposition to be proved (7).
- 12 Slug, perhaps (4).
- 13 Not a quality of the brazen (7).
- 14 He makes a personal call (7).
- 15 Bashful author's signature (4).
- 16 Nod, unscrupulous activities (7).
- 17 Make a reduction (6).
- 18 Is he always on the go? (6).
- 19 Permission to depart (6).
- 20 Unintentionally having no catalogue? (8).

DOWN

- 1 Coffer, and cougher sometimes! (6).
- 2 Light craft (6).
- 3 It's willowy. Twig? (5).
- 4 Not common (4).
- 5 Solves a knotty problem? (6).
- 6 State of one who barely exists? (6).
- 7 Quake (6).
- 8 Cricket pitch length (5).
- 9 Possibly round bird (6).
- 10 That fading spirit (6).
- 11 High spots (5).
- 12 One of 48 across the Atlantic (6).
- 13 Bondman (6).
- 14 Noise it seems (6).
- 15 Not the apartments of the free (6).
- 16 One of three efforts of Ella, perhaps (6).
- 17 Inordinate contempt (6).
- 18 Account for William (6).

WEDNESDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Answer; 2. Point; 3. Order; 4. Price; 5. Natty; 6. Shot; 7. Road; 8. Post; 9. Debut; 10. Terror; 11. Niece; 12. Miss; 13. Psalm; 14. Oath; 15. Knight; 16. Heals; 17. Pops; 18. Depend; 19. News; 20. Apparent; 21. Crocodile; 22. Pops; 23. Trotter; 24. Senator; 25. Order; 26. Nod; 27. Unscrupulous; 28. Activities; 29. Make; 30. Reduction; 31. Is he always on the go?; 32. Permission to depart; 33. Unintentionally having no catalogue?; 34. Down: 1. Coffer, and cougher sometimes!; 2. Light craft; 3. It's willowy. Twig?; 4. Not common; 5. Solves a knotty problem?; 6. State of one who barely exists?; 7. Quake; 8. Cricket pitch length; 9. Possibly round bird; 10. That fading spirit; 11. High spots; 12. One of 48 across the Atlantic; 13. Bondman; 14. Noise it seems; 15. Not the apartments of the free; 16. One of three efforts of Ella, perhaps; 17. Inordinate contempt; 18. Account for William.

NEW
YORK
Friday

Dear Anne Edwards from GILES

Dear Anne... I am a typical American college girl living in New York. I read your article "How to handle crazy mixed-up parents," and against the advice of Mr Giles, who is over here and, I believe, works for your newspaper, I am writing to you for advice.

Mr Giles says he wouldn't write to you for advice, not



MY BEAU

Although he has never been to Ireland, Pa can say, "Och aye" and sing "Annie Laurie" just like he was born in Dublin. Mom is different. Mom thinks everyone from England is a lord or a duke, or a duchess, or cute, and she just can't wait to get there cheering for the Queen.

She's sure had a tough time making Pa learn to curtsy in on us unexpectedly.



THIS IS PA

even to ask the time, but judging by the way he gets himself organised whenever he is in the United States I guess he doesn't need any advice.

He reckons coming to the U.S. for him is like coming home because where he lives in England there are more Americans to the square yard than there are over here.

However, why I write to you is mostly on account of your Queen's tour and because my parents are just about as mixed-up as parents can get.

Pa's great-grand-great-great-grandfather had an Irish aunt from the Bronx which makes him eligible to join the American Branch of the I.R.A. protest march on October 19.

My Uncle Hank, who lives with us, is a member of the America-for-the-Scots Society, born in Brooklyn. He's staging a rival protest march which he has timed to march out of 62nd Street singing "Manhattan Belongs to Glasgow" just as Pa and the I.R.A. are crossing at Fifth Avenue singing "Galway Bay."

Most folk say that when Uncle Hank sings Scottish songs like "Coming Thru The Rye" you can almost smell the heather on



UNCLE HANK

the Highlands, his accent is so good.

But personally when Uncle Hank sings I never stay home that long to notice, though I'm willing to bet it's the rye they smell not the heather.

My favourite boy friend is a New York policeman and figures that the royal tour is a plot by the Commies to screw up New York's traffic system for good and all.

The rest of my family is my kid brother, who's a baseball fan and promises he'll be out there rooting for the Queen



AND MOM

just as long as she promises to root for his home team, the New York Yankees.

But on behalf of Americans in general I figure some advice by you on how to behave in the face of royalty would be real welcome rather than the stuffy instructions passed out by the officials.

One scribe in a New York paper today told how at a Washington reception for Queen Frederika of Greece "a well meaning but plump lady fell kerplunk when she tried to bend her knee."

As this is the kind of situation I wish to avoid could you tell me the correct way to curtsy when I ask Prince Philip for his autograph? Signed "Anxious."

P.S. Your Mr Giles asks me to point out that my mixed-up parents are by no means representative of parents in the U.S. any more than the few misguided Irish protesters represent Irish people all over the world and in any case neither is going to affect his personal Anglo-American relationships which have always been and he hopes always will be right on the ball.



THE KID BROTHER

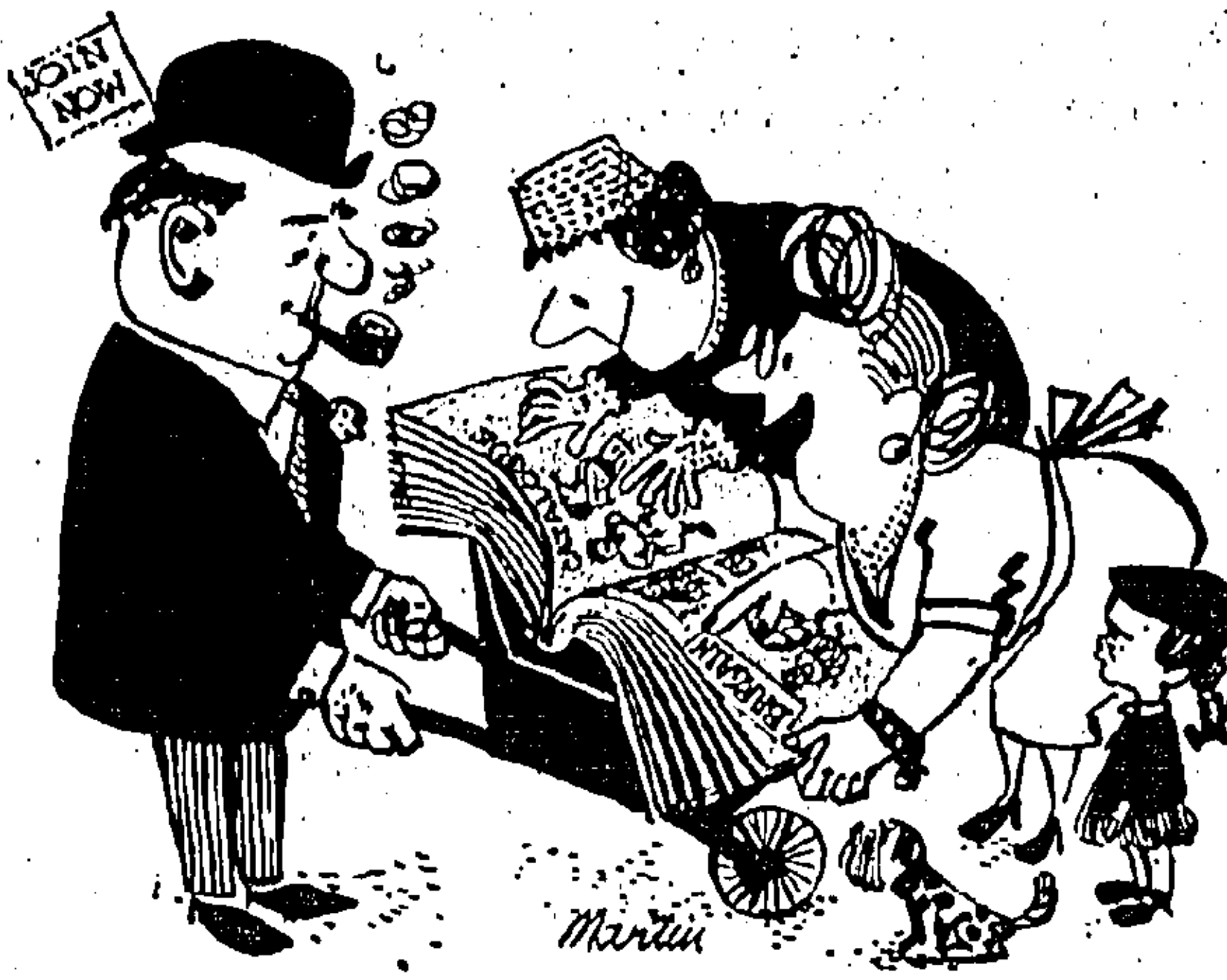
Commission, bonus—but I hand in my cards!

I HAVE got a new job. If the literature which plops through my letter-box is to be believed, I am now a club secretary, with the registered number 2,177,683.

Not, mark you, a night club or a bowls club or a social club.

by

BERNARD HARRIS



Every man his own salesman...

But a club which will put me in competition with middle-aged Maggie Evans, who runs a women's wear shop in the next road to me under the name of Sylvia. And with her neighbour Bert Anderson, who sells electrical goods, and with our iron-monger, Joe Rayner.

In fact, I shall be a rival of all the local tradespeople except those who sell food, drink, or tobacco.

For this club I am supposed to run is a trading club. A club which will take business away from the little shops round the corner and divert it to a multi-million group of warehouses 200 miles away.

Easy money?

THE job began when, out of curiosity, I filled in a form offering a "free catalogue" which would "make me pounds."

It turned out to be a 216-page volume, resplendent in colour,

and weighing 2½ lb. Its cost to produce? A printing expert said anything from 12s. 6d. to 25s., according to the number printed.

After the catalogue came the instructions how to form a "home shopping" club among my friends and neighbours.

"Simply show all your likely members the beautiful illustrated catalogue... Let them choose the goods they want. Collect the first subscription."

Half a crown a week was suggested as the minimum subscription from each of my members. After collecting the cash I was to send for the goods each week "in agreed rotation."

And for me? "Generous commissions, bonuses, free vouchers while heat I was offered 'an exciting free gift'—ranging from a cuckoo clock to a pair of ladies' pyjamas—immediately I sent in my first club order."

To raise my enthusiasm to discover just how widespread this business has become.

Having been signed up, without being asked, as a club organiser, I set out to discover just how widespread this business has become.

Although described by one promoter as "the modern way

of shopping," it actually started in a small way more than 50 years ago.

Today there are at least 100 sizable mail order concerns many of which conduct some form of club trading. How much money do they take? Most estimates range around £3,000,000 a week, though some stores experts believe the true figure may be twice as much.

Wolfson leads

UNDOUBTEDLY the biggest fish in this particular pond is the dynamic Mr Isaac Wolfson, who has just issued a 120-page booklet to celebrate his 60th birthday and his 25 years' association with Great Universal Stores.

Wolfson operates seven mail order companies. Twice a year they issue catalogues which are equal in weight to a good-sized destroyer—1,050 tons—and which, so Wolfson tells us, contain 600 million pages.

"From the pages of one catalogue," he says, "a customer can choose a family, furnish and equip the entire household."

Dear friend...

ACCEPT his invitation for a details of Great Universal's club trading and you will receive a printed letter addressed: "Dear Friend."

You will learn that "literally millions of people make purchases through our clubs."

What reward does the club secretary get? "Unlimited pleasure," says Mr Wolfson. "Many lifelong friendships have started in this way."

And, of course, there is the material reward. For every £20 of orders sent off by the club secretary, commission and expenses range from £2 7s. 6d. to £2 17s. 3d.

Ranking second to Mr Wolfson is millionaire John Moores, who started the football pools business with his brother Cecil and funnelled some of the profits into building the Littlewoods stores and mail order group.

Mr Moores says that running one of his clubs is not a job. It's a pleasure. You widen your social circle as well as increase your income.

On a £30 of goods a club organiser can make from £3 3s. 3d. to £4 12s. 3d. "These," claims Mr Moores, "are the best terms in the club business."

After Wolfson and Moores come many others. All of them offering "unlimited value." All of them seeking to lure you into this "profitable part-time hobby."

What do ordinary traders think about the rapid growth of these shopping clubs?

The National Chamber of Trade describes the extension of retail trading into homes, schools, factories—even Government offices—as "unfair and pernicious."

A good deal more will be heard about it when the Chamber holds its autumn conference towards the end of this month.

Why "unfair"? My Maggie Evans deducts FAYE from the commission earned to her only assistant. So do other traders.

But these club secretaries? Do they pay tax on their commission? Is it really so good as it is cracked up to be?

I have consulted the chairman of a departmental store who has been through all the available mail order catalogues and compared prices with those in his own store.

His report: "Branded goods are normally sold at the usual list price, though I have come across occasional instances where 1s. in the £ has been added."

"In non-proprietary goods prices in some catalogues are often higher than mine. A 'no-name' vacuum cleaner which we sell at just over £12 is priced at £15. A kitchen chair—their price, 45s. 6d., ours, 39s. An electric fire, 66s., against 39s. 6d.; a clothes roller, 27s., 6d., against 23s. 6d."

"When you consider high running costs, commission, postage and packing, a stiff 'mark-up' on some goods is not surprising."

My choice

SO for my family at least there will be no "club shopping." I prefer the alleged "trouble, frustration, and anxiety" of going round to the local shops.

I shall support the men and women who pay local rates and are part of the local community. Men and women who take pride in personal service. Who know my wants and can show me the goods before I buy.

Club organiser No. 2,177,683 is handing in his cards.

THAT SAT

By Alexander Ananov

Paris. Russia's space satellite will never be of direct military value, but its indirect value in gathering data about the higher atmosphere and open space is enormous.

Such facts are crucial to calculating the trajectory of an inter-continental ballistic missile.

Certainly, the rocket which launched the Russian earth-satellite could be used to launch an ICBM.

By launching the satellite, the Russians have proved beyond question that they are capable of firing an ICBM.

However, the satellite itself can never be of direct military utility no matter how far it is developed.

Even if a manned satellite were possible and this is an extremely complex problem—it would not be worth the trouble.

Photographs taken from such a height would be useless. Not only is the earth largely covered with clouds, but photographs taken from that high up would give no details of the ground below.

In short, espionage is not possible with this satellite.

What about reducing its altitude? Theoretically any height is possible—or would be, but for the retarding effect of the earth's atmosphere.

The average altitude of the Russian satellite—502 miles—means it has a minimum altitude of around 300 miles and a maximum of 800 miles.

The lowest practicable mean altitude for an earth satellite would be around 200 miles. This would mean a minimum altitude of 130 miles.

At any lower height the satellite would start running into the upper atmosphere.

Even at 130 miles up, the satellite would have to circle the earth at a far greater speed—any 10,000 yards a second, or about 18,000 miles an hour.

Launching a missile at such a speed would be highly impractical.

There would be no precision in firing it. There would be just as great a change of its hitting its home country as of hitting its intended target.

There are difficulties enough in launching bombs from altitudes of only a mile high.

At 130 miles up and at a speed of 18,000 miles an hour, precision would be completely lacking.

The real danger is the inter-continental ballistic missile once launched. It can not be intercepted. It has a speed of 10,000 miles an hour.

I do not believe it will ever be possible to detect or deflect

Happy as a Red—lying comfly in Bed with his little Satellite investigating overhead

a missile travelling at that speed.

The military value of the satellite is in gathering data about the upper atmosphere, which begins 75 miles up and about outer space. This is necessary to compute the trajectory of the ICBM.

We know the upper atmosphere and outer space very poorly. Experiments have been made with rockets by the Americans as well as the Russians.

These experiments have been interesting but insufficient. Rockets go up but they come down almost immediately. To gather sufficient data the laboratory—that is to say, the satellite—must remain up for a long period of time.

As to using the satellite as a military base or as a colony, the earth already has a larger, stable satellite: the Moon. It does not need another.

The Russians and the Americans have been experimenting on sending animals, such as dogs and monkeys, up in rockets to test on them the effects of enormous acceleration and of the lack of gravity.

Such data, very important for the future, so far have been taken for only two or three minutes at a time.

But in the satellite there will be a continuous lack of gravity as long as it is in the sky.

Thus the possibilities of experimenting on animals are much more interesting with the satellite than with rockets.

But I am persuaded the satellite will never be used for people. The difficulties are nearly insurmountable. It

would be easier to send people to the Moon.

The Moon, because of its lesser gravitational pull, might be used as a launching platform to send rockets to Mars or Venus.

One interesting thing about the satellite is that it was not launched along a trajectory paralleling the equator. This would have been the easiest way because it would have utilised the 1,000-mile-an-hour speed of the earth's rotation at the equator and the satellite's own speed could be reduced by that much.

However, the Russians launched their satellite at an angle of 65 degrees to the Equator. At this time of year that angle keeps the satellite always within the sun's rays.

This may have been done for one of two reasons: to investigate utilisation of unfiltered solar energy or to use the sun, as navigators do, as a point of reference in order to keep the satellite, always on course.

Eventually a recoverable satellite could be developed, one with "reverse gear" rocket motors which would switch on as soon as the satellite started slowing down and heading for the earth.

The rockets could brake its approach to the earth and the final stage of the descent could be made by parachute to a predetermined point.

However, the satellite would not be practicable as a bomb even this way because it would be far slower and its accuracy far less than that of the ICBM.



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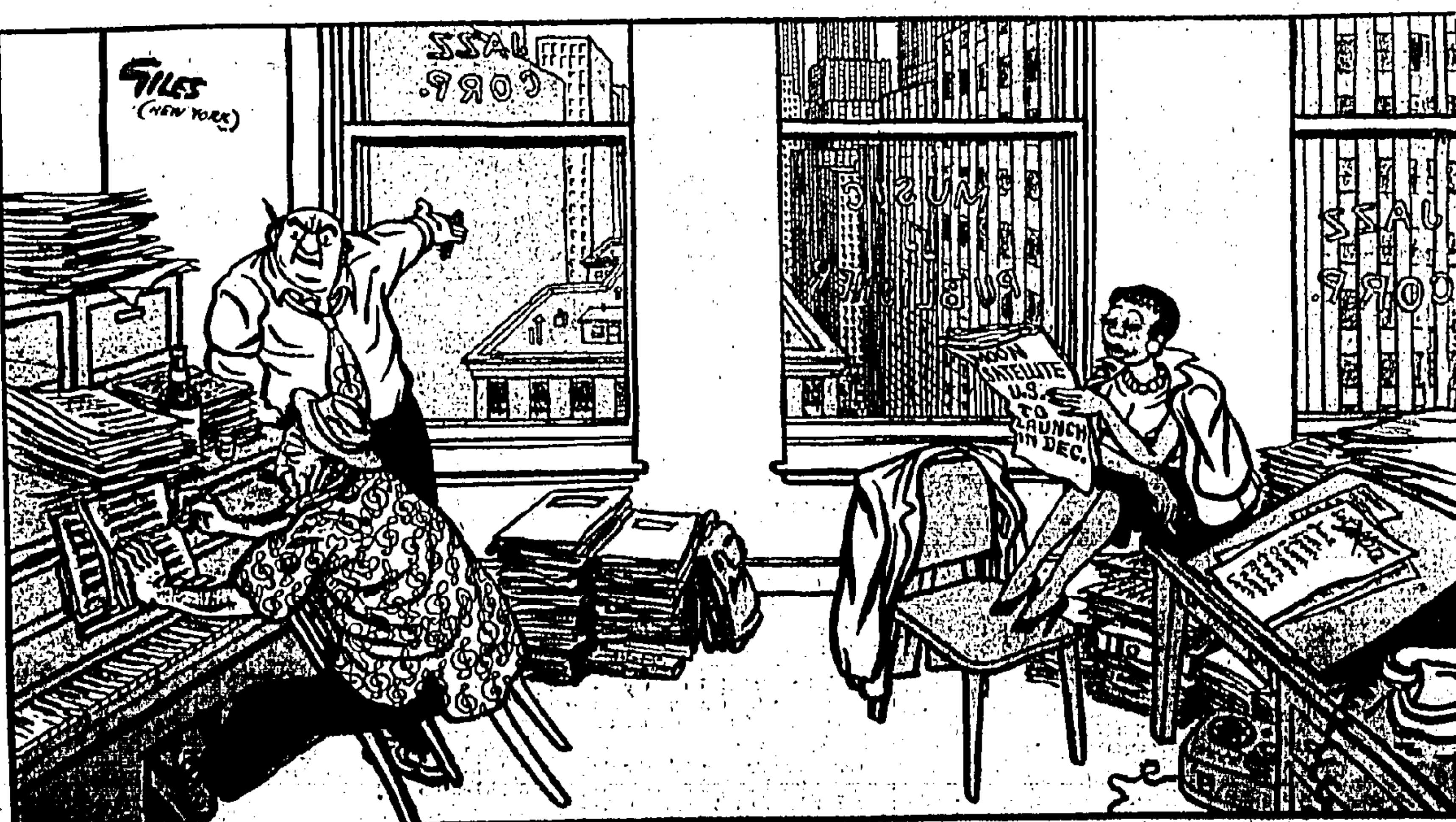
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